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OF CSCE

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1. THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE APPROVED, WITH ONE
DELEGATION RESERVING ITS POSITION, THE HIBBERT
COMPROMISE FOR ORGANIZATION OF THE BELGRADE
IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW, AS DESCRIBED PARA 2 REFTTEL.
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BRIEFLY, THERE WOULD BE AN OPEN PLENARY LASTING
ABOUT ONE WEEK; A CLOSED PLENARY TO DISCUSS
EVALUATION; CLOSED COMMISSIONS DEVOTED TO DETAILED
DISCUSSIONS OF EVALUATION AND NEW PROPOSALS; AND
AN OPEN PLENARY WHICH WOULD DRAFT REPORT AND HEAR
CLOSING SPEECHES. THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION ABOUT
THE LENGTH OF TIME WHICH WOULD BE ALLOCATED TO

EACH OF THESE FINAL THREE STAGES.

2. THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE DIRECTED THE EXPERTS TO PRODUCE FULL-FLEDGED DRAFTS, AS THE US HAD DONE, CONCERNING POSSIBLE NEW PROPOSALS WHICH THE NINE MIGHT PUT FORWARD AT BELGRADE.

3. THE EXPERTS WERE ALSO ASKED TO PRODUCE A LIST OF POINTS ON BASKETS I AND III ON WHICH THE NINE MIGHT MAKE INTERVENTIONS IN BELGRADE. EC EXPERTS IN BRUSSELS WOULD UNDERTAKE THE SAME TASK CONCERNING BASKET II. THE WORK BY THE EXPERTS IS INTENDED TO BEGIN THE PROCESS OF DECIDING WITHIN THE NINE WHICH DELEGATIONS WILL MAKE WHICH INTERVENTNS ON WHICH ISSUES.

4. THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS ALSO RETURNED TO THE PRINCIPLE, THE NINE WOULD LIKE THE EC REPRESENTED AS SUCH AT THE CONFERENCE, BUT THEY RECOGNIZE THAT THIS WOULD REQUIRE A CONSENSUS AND THAT A CONSENSUS IS UNLIKELY. THE PRESIDENCY, THEREFORE, QUESTES THAT THE BEST COMPROMISE WHICH THE EC MAY BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE WOULD BE A JOINT EC PRESIDENCY-EUROPEAN COMMUNITY DELEGATION WHICH WOULD HAVE A PLACE CARD SO INSCRIBED AT THE TABLE IN BELGRADE.

5. FINALLY, THE POLITICAL DIRECTORS APPROVED TWO PAPERS PREPARED BY THE WORKING GROUP, ONE ON CONFIDENTIAL

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SUGGESTED THEMES FOR BELGRADE, AND THE OTHER ON POSSIBLE NEW PROPOSALS. BOTH PAPERS WILL BE TABLED AT NATO IN THE NEAR FUTURE. SPIERS

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